

Sensory Words

Directions: Use this list when you write. It will help you make your paper come alive.

Sight

dotted
freckled
spotted
blotched
wrinkled
mottled
striped
bright
clear
shiny
glowing
glossy
shimmering
sparkling
iridescent
glassy
flashy
glazed
sheer
transparent
opaque
grimy
drab
dull
dark
dismal
rotted
worn
untidy
shabby
messy
cheap
ugly
ramshackle
tired
exhausted
awkward
crooked
loose
curved
straight
orderly
formal
crisp
pretty
heavy
flat
stout
rigid
narrow
overloaded
congested
cluttered
crowded

jammed
packed
bruised
stretched
erect
lean
slender
supple
lithe
lively
muscular
sturdy
robust
hardy
strong
healthy
frail
fragile
pale
pasty
sickly
spry
miniature
timid
shy
fearful
apprehensive
tearful
nervous
frightened
terrified
hysterical
wild
bold
dramatic
irresistible
exuberant
energetic
animated
perky
attractive
arrogant
flamboyant
imposing
regal
stately
elegant
statuesque
huge
immense
massive
gigantic
showy
decorative
distinctive

dazzling
jeweled
lacy
lavish
exotic
gorgeous
radiant
vivid
flushed
fiery
blazing
fresh
tidy
handsome
pleasant
sunny
calm
serene
unruffled
nervous

Taste

oily
buttery
salty
bitter
bittersweet
sweet
hearty
mellow
sugary
crisp
ripe
bland
tasteless
sour
vinegary
fruity
tangy
unripe
raw
medicinal
fishy
spicy
peppery
gingery
hot
burnt
overripe
spilled
rotten

Shapes

flat
round

proportioned
curved
wavy
globular
scalloped
swollen
frilled
padded
flared
pendulous
oval
conical
cylindrical
tubular
hollow
rotund
chubby
portly
square
lumpy
branching
split
jutting
irregular
skinny
angular
triangular
rectangular
hexagonal
octagonal
crooked
pyramidal
tapering
wide
twiggy
stretched
broken
spindly
domed
thin
wiry
shapely
winged
shapeless
ruffled
curved
straight
crinkled
narrow

Smell

sweet
scented
fragrant
perfumed

flowery
balmy
gamey
earthy
piney
minty
odorous
pungent
tempting
spicy
putrid
sharp
spoiled
fishy
briny
acidic
acid
burnt
gaseous
mildewed
damp
rotten
stench
sour
rancid
sickly
stagnant
moldy
musty
fresh
dank
stale

Speech

stutter
stammer
giggle
guffaw
laugh
sing
yell
scream
screech
snort
bellow
growl
chatter
murmur
whisper
whimper
talk
speak
drawl
hiss